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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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International application No. <b>PCT/US 98/ 15852</b>	International filing date (day/month/year) <b>30/07/1998</b>	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year)
Applicant <b>THE PROCTER &amp; GAMBLE COMPANY et al.</b>		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

### 1. Basis of the report

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

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☐ the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

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2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. ☐ **Unity of Invention is lacking** (see Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

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☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

☐ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention.

☐ None of the figures.

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**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**  
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**B. FIELDS SEARCHED**

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)  
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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

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<b>(21) International Application Number:</b> PCT/US98/15852 <b>(22) International Filing Date:</b> 30 July 1998 (30.07.98) <b>(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US):</b> THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY [US/US]; One Procter & Gamble Plaza, Cincinnati, OH 45202 (US). <b>(72) Inventors; and</b> <b>(75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only):</b> SAKO, Takashi [JP/JP]; 2-3-202, Uozakikitamachi 6-chome, Higashinada-ku, Kobe 658-0082 (JP). COX, Bruce, Russell [US/JP]; 4-8-30, Sumiyoshiyamate, Higashinada-ku, Kobe 658-0063 (JP). <b>(74) Agents:</b> REED, T., David et al.; The Procter & Gamble Company, 5299 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45217 (US).		<b>(81) Designated States:</b> AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CU, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, GB, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ, TM, TR, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZW, ARIPO patent (GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, SD, SZ, UG, ZW), Eurasian patent (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European patent (AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE), OAPI patent (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).  <b>Published</b> <i>With international search report.</i>
<b>(54) Title:</b> HAIR CONDITIONING COMPOSITION COMPRISING CARBOXYLIC ACID/CARBOXYLATE COPOLYMER AND AMPHOTERIC CONDITIONING AGENT  <b>(57) Abstract</b>  Disclosed is a hair conditioning composition comprising: (1) a carboxylic acid/carboxylate copolymer; (2) an amphoteric conditioning polymer; and (3) an aqueous carrier.		

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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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Applicant THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY et al.		

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.
2. This REPORT consists of a total of 5 sheets, including this cover sheet.  
  
☒ This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e. sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).  
  
 These annexes consist of a total of 3 sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☐ Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Lack of unity of invention
- V ☒ Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Certain documents cited
- VII ☒ Certain defects in the international application
- VIII ☒ Certain observations on the international application

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**I. Basis of the report**

1. This report has been drawn on the basis of (*substitute sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to the report since they do not contain amendments.*):

**Description, pages:**

1-57 as originally filed

**Claims, No.:**

1-10 as received on 12/07/2000 with letter of 05/07/2000

2. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages:  
☐ the claims, Nos.:  
☐ the drawings, sheets:

3. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed (Rule 70.2(c)):

4. Additional observations, if necessary:

**V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

**1. Statement**

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	1-10
	No:	Claims	
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	1-10
	No:	Claims	
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-10
	No:	Claims	



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**2. Citations and explanations**

**see separate sheet**

**VII. Certain defects in the international application**

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:

**see separate sheet**

**VIII. Certain observations on the international application**

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

**see separate sheet**

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EXAMINATION REPORT - SEPARATE SHEET**

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Reference is made to the following documents:

- D1: DE 30 44 754 A (L'OREAL) 19 June 1981
- D2: FR-A-2 737 660 (L'OREAL) 14 February 1997
- D3: EP-A-0 797 979 (L'OREAL) 1 October 1997
- D4: FR-A-2 750 047 (L'OREAL) 26 December 1997

V.

1. The present application appears to comply with Article 33(1) to (3) PCT since none of the documents D1 to D4 discloses hair care compositions comprising an copolymer as depicted in present claims 1 and 10.

D1 to D4 show aqueous conditioner comprising a carboxylic/carboxylate copolymer and an amphoteric conditioning polymer. The copolymers used in the present application are, however, neither disclosed nor suggested by said documents.

- VII. The description was not adapted to the claims presently on file.

VIII.

1. The vague and imprecise statements in the description on pages 53 and 57 (spirit of the invention) implies that the subject-matter for which protection is sought may be different to that defined by the claims, thereby resulting in lack of clarity (Article 6 PCT) when used to interpret them (see also the PCT Guidelines, III-4.3a).
2. Although claims 1 and 10 have been drafted as separate independent claims, they appear to relate effectively to the same subject-matter and to differ from each other only with regard to the definition of the subject-matter for which protection is sought and in respect of the terminology used for the features of that subject-matter. The aforementioned claims therefore lack conciseness. Moreover, lack of clarity of the claims as a whole arises, since the plurality of independent claims makes it difficult, if not impossible, to determine the matter for which protection is sought, and places an undue burden on others seeking to establish the extent of the protection.

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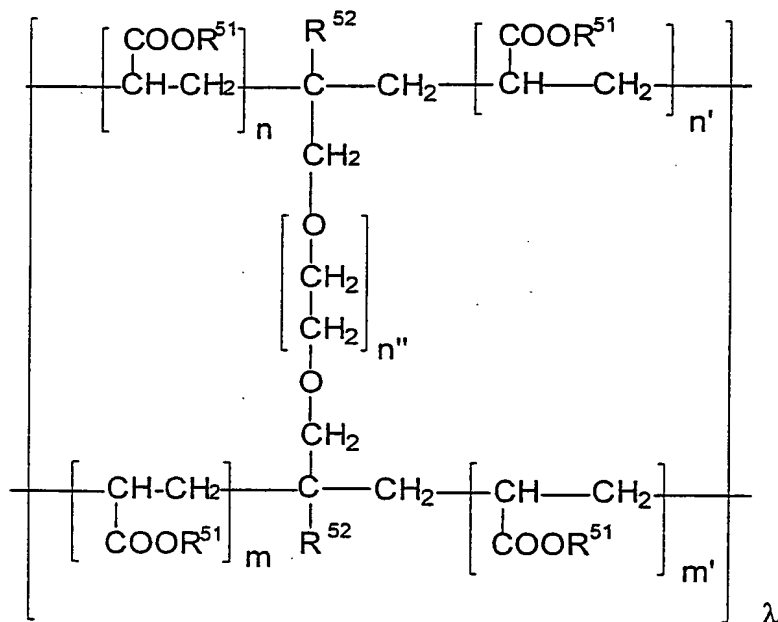
Hence, claims 1 and 10 do not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT. Claim 10 was not redrafted as a dependent claim.

3. The vague term "about" when used in combination with ranges, as used in the entire specification renders the scope of the claims unclear when used to interpret the claims. See also claims 1 and 10 (Article 6 PCT).

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A hair conditioning composition comprising:
  - (1) ~~an acrylic acid/alkyl acrylate copolymer~~
  - (2) an amphoteric conditioning polymer; and
  - (3) an aqueous carrier.

an acrylic acid/alkyl acrylate copolymer having the following formula:



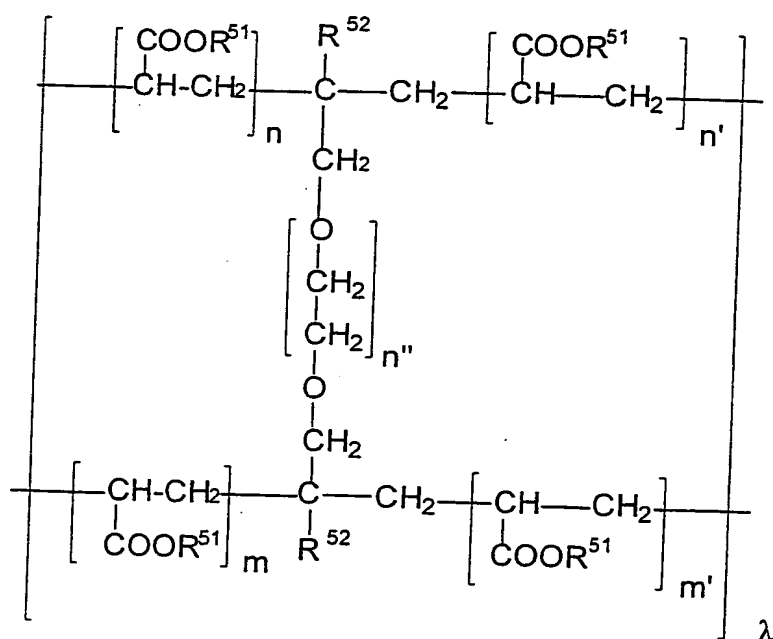
wherein  $\text{R}^{51}$ , independently, is a hydrogen or an alkyl of 1 to 30 carbons wherein at least one of  $\text{R}^{51}$  is a hydrogen,  $\text{R}^{52}$  is as defined above,  $n$ ,  $n'$ ,  $m$  and  $m'$  are integers in which  $n+n'+m+m'$  is from about 40 to about 100,  $n''$  is an integer of from 1 to about 30, and  $\lambda$  is defined so that the copolymer has a molecular weight of about 500,000 to about 3,000,000;

2. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising a humectant.
3. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising a silicone conditioning agent.
4. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising an additional viscosity modifier.
5. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising a visible particle.
6. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising a UV absorber.
7. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising an optical brightener.
8. The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising a herbal extract.
9. The hair conditioning composition according to any of the preceding claims further comprising an additional conditioning agent.

10. A hair conditioning composition comprising by weight:

- (1) from about 0.01% to about 10% of a carboxylic acid/carboxylate copolymer;
- (2) from about 0.01% to about 10% of an amphoteric conditioning polymer;
- (3) from about 0.1% to about 20% of a humectant;
- (4) from about 0.1% to about 60% of a silicone compound;
- 5 (5) from about 0.01% to about 10% of an additional viscosity modifier; and
- (6) an aqueous carrier.

an acrylic acid/alkyl acrylate copolymer having the following formula:



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